

House Resolution 763

By: Representative Gardner of the 57th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the Eating Disorders Information Network's School Outreach Program; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, estimates are that ten million Americans suffer from eating disorders, including
4 nine million girls and women and one million boys and men; and

5 WHEREAS, eating disorders are associated with substantial psychological problems,
6 including depression, substance abuse, and suicide, and can lead to major medical
7 complications, including cardiac arrhythmia, cognitive impairment, certain cancers,
8 osteoporosis, infertility, and, most seriously, death; and

9 WHEREAS, it is reported that eating disorders are increasing in younger age groups with
10 children as young as seven years old suffering; and

11 WHEREAS, records show that necessary inpatient treatment for eating disorders can cost up
12 to \$10,000.00 per week and require a several months' hospital stay; and

13 WHEREAS, early intervention is crucial and Atlanta has one of the few organizations
14 dedicated to early detection, education, and prevention through the Eating Disorders
15 Information Network's School Outreach Program.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
17 the members of this body hereby recognize and commend the Eating Disorders Information
18 Network's School Outreach Program.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
20 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Eating Disorders
21 Information Network's School Outreach Program.